

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
HEALTH POLICY**

Tuesday, June 6, 2006

10:30 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Health Policy was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Kahn, Green, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Members absent/excused: Reps. Vander Veen, Mortimer.

Representative Robertson moved to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2006 meeting. Representative Angerer supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5327 before the committee.

**HB 5327 Kooiman**                      Health; code; Michigan board of nursing; provide for representative from each health service area in state.

Representative Jerry Kooiman, sponsor of HB 5327, testified in support of the bill. Representative Kooiman also submitted written testimony. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health testified in opposition to the bill.

Representative Gaffney offered the following amendment to HB 5327:

1. Amend page 2, line 14, by striking out all of subsection (3) and inserting:

**"(3) IF MORE THAN 1 INDIVIDUAL SEEKING APPOINTMENT OR REAPPOINTMENT ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF PART 161 AND SUBSECTIONS (1) AND (2) AND THE INDIVIDUALS HAVE SIMILAR QUALIFICATIONS, PREFERENCE SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE INDIVIDUAL WHO RESIDES IN, OR IS EMPLOYED IN, A HEALTH SERVICE AREA THAT IS NOT CURRENTLY BEING REPRESENTED ON THE BOARD IN ORDER TO BROADEN THE GEOGRAPHIC REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD TO INCLUDE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH HEALTH SERVICE AREA AND TO MAINTAIN THAT GEOGRAPHICAL EQUITY. AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "HEALTH SERVICE AREA" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AREAS IN THIS STATE:**

**(A) SOUTHEAST, WHICH CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF LIVINGSTON, MACOMB, MONROE, OAKLAND, ST. CLAIR, WASHTENAW, AND WAYNE.**

**(B) MID-SOUTHERN, WHICH CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF CLINTON, EATON, GENESEE, HILLSDALE, INGHAM, JACKSON, LAPEER, LENAWE, AND SHIAWASSEE.**

(C) SOUTHWEST, WHICH CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF BARRY, BERRIEN, BRANCH, CALHOUN, CASS, KALAMAZOO, ST. JOSEPH, AND VAN BUREN.

(D) WEST, WHICH CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF ALLEGAN, IONIA, KENT, LAKE, MASON, MECOSTA, MONTCALM, MUSKEGON, NEWAYGO, OCEANA, OSCEOLA, AND OTTAWA.

(E) EAST, WHICH CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF ARENAC, BAY, CLARE, GLADWIN, GRATIOT, HURON, IOSCO, ISABELLA, MIDLAND, OGEMAW, ROSCOMMON, SAGINAW, SANILAC, AND TUSCOLA.

(F) NORTHERN LOWER, WHICH CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF ALCONA, ALPENA, ANTRIM, BENZIE, CHARLEVOIX, CHEBOYGAN, CRAWFORD, EMMET, GRAND TRAVERSE, KALKASKA, LEELANAU, MANISTEE, MISSAUKEE, MONTMORENCY, OSCODA, OTSEGO, PRESQUE ISLE, AND WEXFORD.

(G) UPPER PENINSULA, WHICH CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF ALGER, BARAGA, CHIPPEWA, DELTA, DICKINSON, GOGEBIC, HOUGHTON, IRON, KEWEENAW, LUCE, MACKINAC, MARQUETTE, MENOMINEE, ONTONAGON, AND SCHOOLCRAFT."

Representative Ward moved to adopt the amendment. Representative Nofs supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 13-0-0.**

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas:** Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

**Nays:** None.

**Pass:** None.

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 5327 with recommendation as amended, as substitute (H-1). Representative Wojno supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-0.**

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas:** Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

**Nays:** None.

**Pass:** None.

The Chair laid HR 248 before the committee.

**HR 248 Moolenaar** A resolution to memorialize the Congress of the United States to enact legislation to amend the definition of "physician" in the Medicaid program to include podiatric physicians.

Mark Dickens of the Michigan Podiatric Medical Association testified in support of the resolution.

Representative Robertson moved to report HR 248 with recommendation. Representative Ward supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 13-0-0.**

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas:** Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

**Nays: None.**  
**Pass: None.**

The Chair laid SB 1121 before the committee.

**SB 1121 Stamas** Mental health; community mental health; individuals providing prescreening services; expand.

Stacey Hettiger of the House Republican Policy Office testified on the bill.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Meghan Swain of the Michigan Nurses Association.

Bret Marr of the Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards.

Ellen Hoekstra of the Michigan Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers.

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health submitted a card indicating a neutral position on the bill, but did not wish to testify.

Representative Robertson moved to report SB 1121 with recommendation. Representative Hune supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-0.**

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

The Chair laid HB 5327 before the committee.

**HB 5311 Stahl** Health; pharmaceuticals; nonprescription dispensing of "morning after" pill; prohibit.

Representative John Stahl, sponsor of HB 5311, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Wendy Wright of Concerned Women for America testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

James Hunsanger II of Lapeer testified in support of the bill.

Harold Sauer, M.D., of the Michigan Section of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists testified in opposition to the bill. Dr. Sauer also submitted written testimony. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Margaret Punch of the Michigan Section of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

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Phyllis Van Order of Sexual Assault Services of Calhoun County testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Margo Smith of the Michigan Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice testified in opposition to the bill.

Shelli Weisberg of the ACLU of Michigan testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Kelly Hamilton of MARAL Pro-Choice Michigan testified in opposition to the bill. Ms. Hamilton also submitted written testimony.

Renee Beeker of Michigan NOW testified in opposition to the bill. Ms. Beeker also submitted written testimony.

Sarah Scranton of Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan testified in opposition to the bill. Ms. Scranton also submitted written testimony.

Callie Melton of Grand Rapids testified in opposition to the bill.

The following individuals submitted cards in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Alice St. Clair of Walker.

Andrea Ragan and Joy Whitten of Planned Parenthood of Michigan.

Jennifer Farrington of Planned Parenthood of East Central Michigan.

Fern Ettinger of the National Council of Jewish Women.

Kathy Haginian of the Michigan Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence.

Mary Lovik of the Michigan Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Board.

Joyce Siegel of Sexual Assault Services of Calhoun County.

Representative Ward moved to excuse the absence of Representatives Vander Veen and Mortimer. Representative Nofs supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:49 a.m.

**Representative Edward Gaffney, Chair** \_\_\_\_\_

Dan Stump, Committee Clerk.

House Health Policy Committee, (517) 373-5795